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In re. patent application of:

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Serial No.: 09/550,163

Filed: 14April 2000

For: MinK-RELATED GENES, FORMATION OF POTASSIUM CHANNELS AND ASSOCIATION WITH CARDIAC ARRHYTHMIA



ATTN: Licensing and Review

DECLARATION PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.68

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

We, Geoffrey W. ABBOTT, a citizen of Great Britain, residing at 295 Congress Avenue, New Haven, Connecticut 06536, Federico SESTI, a citizen of Italy, residing at 295 Congress Avenue, New Haven, Connecticut 06536, and Steve A.N. GOLDSTEIN, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at 65 Broad Street, Guilford, Connecticut 06437, declare that:

We made and conceived the invention described and claimed in patent application Serial No. 09/550,163 filed in the United States of America on 14 April 2000, titled “minK-RELATED GENES, FORMATION OF POTASSIUM CHANNELS AND ASSOCIATION WITH CARDIAC ARRHYTHMIA”;

We made and conceived this invention while employed by YALE UNIVERSITY;

That the invention is related to the work we are employed to perform and was made within the scope of our employment duties;

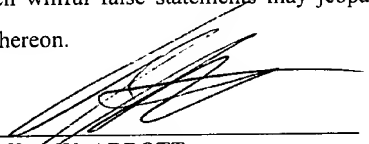
That the invention was made during working hours and with the use of facilities, equipment, materials, funds, information and services of YALE UNIVERSITY.

That to the best of our knowledge and belief:

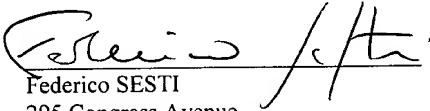
The invention was not made or conceived in the course of, or in connection with, or under the terms of any contract, subcontract or arrangement entered into with or for the benefit of the United States Atomic Energy Commission or its successors: Energy Research and Development Administration or the Department of Energy.

The undersigned inventors declare further that all statements made herein of their own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true and further that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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